

Whereas, The people of the state of South Dakota have been fortunate to be the recipients of the endeavors of a special class of individuals devoted to making our state number one in the transportation field; and,

Whereas, Robert "Bob" A. Schnabel joined that elite group of employees as an equipment operator I, at the shop in Presho, South Dakota, on May 18, 1970, as well as the people in the Winner area in various posts; and,

Whereas, Bob has, in the course of his career, worked as an equipment operator 1, highway maintenance worker I and II, senior highway maintenance worker, highway maintenance foreman, and highway maintenance supervisor; and.

Whereas, Bob has executed the duties of each of those positions listed above in a dutiful manner as is humanly possible, and now wishes to enjoy life without the burdens of having to work everyday; and,

Whereas, Bob has dedicated the last 33 years and 7 months to taking care of numerous state highways at all hours of the day and night, 365 days per year, and has now expressed his desire to spend more time with his family, friends and hobbies; and,

Whereas, Bob would now like to take some old hobbies such as bronco fishing, mule riding, professional golf heckling, politics, nap taking, and coyote hunting; and,

Whereas, Bob has served the people of this great state well, always exhibiting the qualities of dedication, honor and integrity, and is choosing now to retire:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim December 23, 2003, as

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in South Dakota, and I join his family and friends in wishing him well in his deserved retirement.

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In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fifteenth Day of December in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Three.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State